SUBJECT: Summary of Inspector General's Report of Inspection of MKULTRA

1. TSD, through its MKULTRA mechanism, has invested an average of approximately /per year since 1953 chiefly in the research, development, and supply of chemical, biological, and other materials useful in the control of human behavior in clandestine operations. The principal end uses of these materials include a) harrassment agents, e.g. for disrupting meetings; b) disabling agents and drugs used in conjunction with psychological techniques in recruitment, countermeasures, and interrogation; and c) . The operational use of the latter two categories is tightly controlled in the DD/P under CSI No. 220-10, MKDELTA MATERIALS.

2. Many phases of the research in the control of human behavior involve a high degree of sensitivity. The professional reputations of outside researchers are in jeopardy since the objectives of such research are widely regarded as anti-ethical or illegal. Disclosure of American capabilities in the use of such materials could escalate their application by competing intelligence services. There was evidence available of the use of these materials by other services and the survey recommends that

3. The inspection of MKULTRA indicated that most projects are conceived and administered with a minimum of paperwork and procedure. The search for new materials and the successive stages of testing of their effects on animals and on volunteer humans under laboratory conditions is performed according to professional standards. A final stage of testing involving the application of materials to unwitting American citizens involves physical risk for the individuals and substantial security risk to CIA.

4. The principal conclusions of the inspection are that the operational controls over MKULTRA need strengthening; improvements are needed in the administration of the research projects; the final testing of substances under simulated operating conditions is judged to involve excessive risk to the Agency. This report, accordingly, carries recommendations for the revision of the MKULTRA charter in the light of ten years of operating experience and of the inspection findings. It specifically recommends the termination of testing of substances on unwitting American subjects.

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